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SUBJECT: AMERICAN PERFORMING ARTIST

1. AT REQUEST OF HER FATHER, PUBLISHER AND MUSICAL DIRECTOR,
WISH TO INFORM YOU OF CONCERT PROGRAMS IN ADDRESSEE CITIES BY
MISS GRACE SUNG-EN WONG, 24-YEAR-OLD AMERICAN HARPIST FROM NEW
YORK CITY. MISS WONG STUDIED AT OBERLIN AND MANHATTAN SCHOOL OF
MUSIC AND IS MEMBER NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY AND NEW YORK CITY BALLET
ORCHESTRAS. HAS WON FOLLOWING AWARDS: AN AWARD FROM U.S. HARP
SOCIETY, 1969; 1ST PRIZE TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS IN UNITED IRISH COUNTIES

FEIS; 1973 SECOND PRIZE IN FIFTH INTERNATIONAL HARP FESTIVAL IN
JERUSALEM. MANY CONCERTS ON EAST AND WEST COASTS OF U.S.
PRESENT TOUR INCLUDES JAPAN, TAIWAN, SINGAPORE, MANILA AND HONG KONG.

2. AFTER DEBUT RECITAL IN CARNEGIE RECITAL HALL, NEW YORK,
NEW YORK TIMES OF FEBRUARY 14, 1974 STATED "SHE ESTABLISHED
HERSELF AS ABOVE ALL AN EXCITING MUSICIAN." IT ADDED THAT "EQUALLY
IMPORTANT WAS HER BEING AT HOME IN VARIETY OF WORKS AND BEING ABLE
TO COMMUNICATE THEIR ESSENCE COMPLETELY." THE REVIEW ENDED BY
SAYING, "VIRTUOSITY HAS NEVER SEEMED QUITE SO DELIGHTFUL AS IT DID
ON THIS OCCASION."

3. CONTACT IN JAPAN RE APRIL 5 CONCERT IS MR. ARADA, JAPAN
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4. CONTACT IN MANILA FOR APRIL 17 CONCERT IS MR. THOMAS CHENG,
P.O. BOX NO. 6, MANILA. OFFICE PHONE IS 604276.

5. ANYTHING ADDRESSEE POSTS CAN DO TO SUPPORT OR PROVIDE
RECOGNITION TO THIS PROMISING ARTIST WILL BE APPRECIATED.
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